

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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Toilets in Rural Areas

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Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of rural households and their percentage without access to toilet facilities in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the details of the toilets constructed during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (c) the details of the assistance provided by the Government for construction of a toilet indicating households eligible therefor in rural areas;
- (d) whether the Government has received complaints regarding distribution of financial assistance for construction of such toilets and if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government thereon, State-wise;
- (e) whether the Government has entrusted anybody with the responsibility for maintenance of toilets constructed under Swachh Bharat Mission and if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (f) whether the Government has conducted any study to ensure that toilets will remain in useable condition in water deficit States like Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, etc., and if so, the details and outcome thereof and the appropriate steps taken by the Government in such States?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION
(SHRI RAMESH CHANDAPPA JIGAJINAGI)

- (a) State-wise, the number of rural households and their percentage without access to toilet facilities as on 18-7-2016 is at Annexure-1.
- (b) State-wise, Individual household Latrines constructed during each of the last three years and the current year under Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan (NBA) and Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) is at Annexure-2.
- (c) The Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) {SBM-G} has been launched on 2nd October, 2014. The SBM (G) aims at attaining Swachh Bharat by 2nd October, 2019 by accelerating sanitation coverage in the rural areas. Under Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) {SBM(G)}, there is a provision for providing an incentive of Rs. 12,000 for the construction of Individual household latrine (IHHL) to all Below poverty Line (BPL) households and to identified Above Poverty Line (APL) households (all SCs /STs, small and marginal farmers, landless labourers with homestead, physically handicapped and women-headed households).
- (d) Sanitation is a State subject and the SBM(G) programme is implemented through the States/UTs, therefore, as and when complaints are received, they are immediately forwarded to respective States/UT Governments for appropriate corrective measures.
- (e) The responsibility for maintenance of household toilets lies with the owners themselves.
- (f) No, Madam.

